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SALINAS COUNCIL NOTES

New delegates to the Salinas labor council from Carpenters 925 are E. J. Klas and A. O. Miller, seated last week.

Barbers Union 927 reports a donation donated to the McBride fund at a good meeting last month.

Bro. Barnes of Bartenders Union 545 reports good progress being made in negotiating a new contract.

Painters 1104 reports several new members accepted and initiated recently.

Bro. Keagan has been named to handle affairs of the Laundry Workers Union for the time being, with Leta Williams as new secretary-treasurer. A new contract has been negotiated with the Bell Laundry.

Squid Catch Moderate But Plans Working

Fishermen from the port of Monterey reported last week that the catch of squid was falling off and that boats would fish only every other day, but nine fish canneries were operating on the squid pack, keeping hundreds of fish canneries workers busy.

Lester Caveny, business agent of the Fish Cannery Workers Union, reported that the union's membership wishing summer pack employment has been placed on jobs at the nine plants. There are a few workers idle, however, he added, because of the drop in the tonnage of squid.

One plant, Hovden's, is not working on squid despite an earlier announcement that the plant would pack during the summer. It was reported, without confirmation, that this plant is waiting for a price relief before starting summer pack.

Salinas Butchers All Now Union; Observe New Hours

All butcher shops in the Salinas area are now 100 per cent union, thanks to the organizational efforts of E. L. Courtwright, new business agent for Butchers Union 506 in this area.

New hours are now being observed by the butcher shops, which are now open only between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. daily, except Sunday.

The new contracts negotiated by Courtwright in signing up those markets which were non-union, including all the Chinese butcher shop contracts, became effective May 6.

BUD KENYON IN HOSPITAL

William G. ("Bud") Kenyon, former secretary of the Monterey County Central Labor Union at Salinas and now a business agent for Warehousemen and Teamsters 890, was to enter a Salinas hospital last Saturday for a minor operation and for a physical checkup.

Kenyon, formerly prominent in Barbers Union 927 as secretary and representative, is well known for his union labor activities in Salinas and vicinity.

KARL HESS DROPS DEAD

Karl Hess, representative of Bartenders Union 545 of Salinas in past years and prominent leader in that organization as well as in other labor activities in Salinas, dropped dead last week.

Funeral services were held last Thursday with other labor leaders and union members among those paying last respects.

DEER HEADS BOXMAKERS

John Deer has been named business representative in the Salinas area for the ox Makers Union, it was reported last week.

Deer will have his headquarters in the Salinas Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., for the present.

One way to guard your paycheck and keep it at a high level is to say "Has it got a union label on it?" whenever you buy something.

COUNCIL TO BACK HUGH DORMODY FOR ASSEMBLYMAN

By action at its last meeting, the Monterey County Central Labor Council voted to endorse the candidacy of Dr. Hugh Dormody for Assemblyman, in preference to Fred Emly, incumbent.

Unofficial reports going around are that local labor is behind Emly, but officials of the Central Labor Council announce that the official endorsement of the Council has been voted to Dormody.

Drastic Cut in Bread Supplies Will Hurt Jobs For Journeymen

Washington, D.C. America's generosity in sending wheat to starving Europe cuts everybody's bread alike. It may give the bakery owners an OPA order for higher prices, but the union baker sees a sharp pay cut ahead as well.

This paradox was outlined by Research Director Andrew Myrup of the Bakery & Confectionery Workers Intl. Union (AFL), who said the union's 110,000 members were eager to do their part to relieve famine conditions abroad.

Most of the nation's big bakers are operating now on a 6-day week, in which the union members get time and a half for the sixth day. With the 25% cut in flour, Myrup explained, the operating bakers will drop to a 5-day week, thus giving the workers a cut in take-home pay that will amount to about 30%.

The problem of how to handle the reduction, whether in layoffs or a spread-the-work program, will be determined by the local unions in various cities and towns. The union's constitution gives locals a great deal of autonomy.

Myrup said the Chicago headquarters of the union "is being bombarded by phone calls and wires on the layoffs and reduced hours," and that the organization "hoped the emergency will be of short duration." It is now estimated the cutback program will end June 30.

About 90,000 of the 60-year-old union's total membership is engaged in baking. The remainder work in confectionery shops and the macaroni industry.

Short Coats for Ladies Declared Companies' Gyp

New York City. Those short coats in style this spring were actually a cute trick for short-changing the American woman. In case you didn't notice, the "shorties" cost as much as the 33-inch length which was originally set as the minimum by the government's style conservation Order L-85.

The order was amended by violation when the Civilian Production Administration gave in to the appeal of the American Retail Federation that it be allowed to dispose of the stylish too-short coats in time for Easter. Since these coats flagrantly violated the OPA order, the order was changed. And the manufacturers went ahead to make three coats out of the material for two. As for the customer, you pay your \$30, \$40, \$50, but you don't have any choice.

KENNY AFLers

SAN FRANCISCO.—A state AFL Committee for Kenny for Governor has been formed and will hold a conference in Los Angeles Sunday, May 19. Among members are George Kelly and Thomas Small, vice-presidents of the State Federation of Labor; Anthony Ballerini, Machinists 1327; Harold Lopez, Teamsters 85; Vic Swanson, Engineers 3; Art Neergard, Bartenders 41; Jack Goldberger, Newspaper Drivers 921.

PLUMBER DIES

Death last week claimed "Tommy" Thompson, member of Plumbers Union 62 of Monterey and a well known union figure of union labor circles in the Monterey area. Funeral was to be held this week.

Business Men Join Fight to Protect OPA

Washington, D. C.

A couple of impressive warnings were sounded as Big Business continued to put on the heat in the Senate to force out an inflationary OPA extension bill. Senators, already becoming alarmed at the record deluge of mail and wires from the people back home protesting against the House bill knifing price control and assuring higher business profits, studied these two new developments:

1—A group of businessmen organized into the Council of American Business publicly revolted against the Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce by writing Senators to extend the OPA without change.

2—The U.S. Department of Commerce released official figures showing that American corporations in 1945 managed somehow to pile up profits of \$20,900,000,000 before taxes. After paying their taxes, they showed profits that were only 7% below the 1944 figure, and this with the heavy cancellation of government war orders after V-E Day.

The new businessmen's organization is headed by Gen. Mgr. George C. Hatch of the Intermountain Network, Ogden, Utah. It issued a public statement saying that Big Business opposition to OPA was based upon a "philosophy of greed." It declared NAM's "weasel worded statistics are a deliberate distortion of the feeling of American business toward OPA."

In a warning to Congress, the council said the House version of the OPA extension bill would result in runaway inflation and "if we have one more great boom and bust cycle, independent private enterprise will be wiped out beyond recall."

Navy Won't Let Tuna Boats Oil Up! Interferes With Companies

San Pedro, Calif.

The U.S. Navy refuses to send fuel oil to 15 tuna boats stranded off Mexico because it would "compete with private enterprise," Rep. Pete King of a fisherman's union charged here.

There are 1000 tons of fish on the boats. Some of the boats have been out 80 days, had a long hunt for the tuna in rough weather and found their usual refueling port out of oil.

Private enterprise charges \$25,000 to \$50,000 for chartering a tanker.

"And the government sends 50,000 tons of oil to Franco every week," King commented.

Report Bovines Stubborn; Won't Put Off Milking

Des Moines, Iowa.

Announcement of an outside factor in union negotiations was made here by Bus. Agent Dan DeHeck of Local 387, Intl. Bro. of Teamsters.

In giving terms of a new contract with four ice cream companies which pay overtime after 40 hours but guarantee a 48-hour week, he remarked: "We haven't been able to convince the cows they should take Saturdays off."

Looking Forward

Such is my outlook. I look forward to a time when man shall progress upon something worthier and higher than his stomach, where there will be a finer incentive to impel men to action than the incentive of today, which is the incentive of the stomach. I retain my belief in the nobility and excellence of the human. I believe that spiritual sweetness and unselfishness will conquer the gross gluttony of today. And last of all, my faith is in the working-class. As some Frenchman has said, "The stairway of time is ever echoing with the wooden shoe going up, the polished boot descending." —JACK LONDON.

Here's Farmers Not Afraid of Minimum Wage For Hired Hands

Madison, Wisconsin.

The Natl. Grange's opposition to the 65c minimum wage isn't cutting any ice with Wisconsin farmers. Despite cries by the Grange, spokesman for the corporate farm interests, that it encourages "laziness," farmers are paying that kind of money right now to their hired hands.

The pay for hands who work by the day without board is currently \$5.20, same amount a factory worker gets for a day at 65c an hour. This is average and not minimum but all indications point to a continued upward trend as analyzed by the Wisconsin and U.S. Departments of Agriculture.

"Similar to the trend recorded for the year just after World War I," the government agencies report, "farm wages have continued upward since the shooting stopped last August."

Farm hands received wages in 1945 which were between two and three times as high as in 1939 in the area surveyed. The pay for April, 1946, was another 8% higher than pay for April, 1945.

Wages were only slightly higher when World War II began in 1939 than they had been at the end of World War I and for the two years that the conflict remained a European affair they increased only a trifle. In 1941 the increase was 30%, and another 30% increase occurred in 1942, after which the rate of gain slowed down.

Average pay in the spring of 1946 is \$86.25 a month with board and \$117 without board, or \$4.25 and \$5.20 to workers hired by the day. Demand for help continues above supply, just as in the case of farm machinery.

Montreal Labor Rallies to Aid Brewery Union

Montreal, Canada.

Unprecedented unity and cooperation in the Montreal labor movement is shaping up around the strike of 700 members of Local 301, United Brewery Workers (unaffiliated), against Natl. Breweries, Ltd. Resentment against the company is spreading, fanned by management's discharge of strikers, its attempts to recruit an army of strikebreakers and arrests of Local 301 pickets for alleged violation of an injunction.

Should expected police violence to break the strike materialize, some of the most powerful of the unions here plan mass demonstrations and a fight to the finish with the anti-union employer bloc.

Ranged against the brewery local and the joint strike support committee are the Canadian Assn. of Manufacturers, an anti-union outfit similar to the Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers, the Canadian Legion and the Discharged Veterans Bureau, all of which rendered strikebreaking services to the company. Large ads taken by management in the local papers, among other high-sounding inducements, offered scabs "sports programs, recreation facilities, social programs."

Senator Taft Doesn't Pay Any Attention to His Mail, It Appears

Washington, D.C.

Jack Martin, secretary to leading anti-OPA Sen. Robert A. Taft (R., O.), admitted to FP:

1. His office is getting price control mail by the sackload.

2. Most of it says "Keep OPA."

3. Letters mentioning amendments to the Price Control Act are against them.

Martin's tune now is that Senators "are not even discussing extension of OPA." They are just discussing amendments under which it will be continued—or discontinued!

Naylor Gardens, Dwelling Units, Bought by Vets

Washington, D.C.

Naylor Gardens, Defense Homes Corp. development with over 700 family dwelling units, was approved for sale to a group of war veterans. DHC approval of the \$5,125,000 sale to the veterans cooperative came after the group gave assurances present residents of Naylor would be able to join them to retain their own apartments.

The sale calls for a 10% down payment, and the balance over 37 years at 3% interest.

Safety Guards Relaxed

(State Federation of Labor Release)

San Francisco, Calif.

Safety experts are becoming alarmed at the sharp let-down in industrial accident prevention since the war's end. Statistics bear out this fear and justify the apprehension.

Frequency of on-the-job injuries in the last six months of 1945 was 5% higher than in the first half of the year. Increasing more sharply than this are the deaths and serious injuries that have occurred. Since the industrial fatalities in the first months of this year are approximately the same as in the early months of 1945, this means a marked rise in the frequency, or rate of injuries, because total man-hours have shrunk.

PERSONNEL CUTDOWN

According to newspaper reports, Mr. M. S. Diakensen, safety director of the Wright Aeronautical Corporation, told delegates to the recent 16th annual conference of the Greater New York Safety Council that "in all but a very few (plants) the safety departments have been or are being eliminated. Many a good safety man has been forced to find work in other fields."

Smaller firms are apparently calling back their safety programs. The Walsh-Healy Act requires all companies working on government contracts to have an adequate safety program, and when they were using federal money the smaller firms were glad to call in safety engineers. Now, however, they are economizing on safety programs.

SMALLER FIRMS

E. R. Grannis of the National Conservation Bureau asserts that many smaller firms are too preoccupied with labor problems and other problems of reconversion to spend much energy on safety. Smaller plants always have been the big headache in accident prevention.

Westinghouse Profits Even During Strikes

New York City.

Directors of the Westinghouse Corp. celebrated the 100th day of their workers' strike by cutting a profit cake of \$3,150,000 into a 25c quarterly dividend for stockholders.

The directors had to walk through a 600-man picketline to get into their Wall Street board meeting, at which they also approved application for a \$80 million loan.

WAR BOND SWINDLE

To show how creditors are going after the people's war bonds, and how courts are beginning to co-operate with such creditors, here is an actual case (January 3, 1946) in the Municipal Court of Los Angeles. The A. L. Fletcher Collective Service got a judgment against one "C. B.," a poor old blind man. It reads thus (we are using only the defendant's initials to protect him):

"The examination of the defendant, C.B., under supplemental proceedings pursuant to Section 714 C.C.P., came on regularly before me on the 2nd day of January, 1946, and it appearing that the defendant is the owner of two (2) U.S. war Bonds in the denomination of \$25.00, and it appearing that the defendant has no other assets to apply upon the judgment in the above entitled action, and good cause appearing therefore;

"IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that on or before January 16, 1946, the defendant herein, C.B., cash one U.S. War Bond and pay to the plaintiff herein the proceeds from said war bond to apply towards the satisfaction of the above entitled judgment, or otherwise pay the equivalent of said \$25.00 bond as credit on the judgment.—J. W. SAUNDERS, Referee."

E. Hermann, publisher of the "Epic News" of Oakland, who has been pressing this issue, has received the following telegram from Congressman Jerry Voorhis: "Am having bill drawn along lines you suggest. Will introduce soon as possible." Hermann had suggested congressional legislation to make war bonds safe against the wolves and racketeers.

Another Big Ship Racket Looms Ahead

San Francisco, Calif.

The odoriferous scandal connected with Uncle Sam's disposal of surplus ships after the first world war (when good boats were taken over by private operators for a mere 10 cents on the dollar) is about to be repeated, investigators report here.

Thousands of ships of various sizes are tied up along the shores here and elsewhere, fast rusting. The War Shipping Administration has so far put "prices" on some 4500. Although there is a proviso that the ships cannot be disposed of for less than 50 percent of the "pre-war average cost," there are various ways of getting around it.

As an example, the "C-2," a freighter which cost the American people \$2,752,910, can be sold for about \$600,000 after "age allowance," "trade-in allowance" deductions, etc., are made.

THE EFFINGHAM CASE

Let's hope it doesn't get as bad as the days after the first World War. Consider the case of the steamer Effingham:

The steamer Effingham was built during World War I, at a cost of \$1,968,000. It was sold to Lykes Bros. Company, in 1932 for \$48,000. From 1933 to 1937, that firm got a "mail subsidy" of \$247,000 for the Effingham. From 1937 to 1940, the Maritime Commission paid Lykes Bros. \$139,000 as "operating subsidy" for it.

In 1941, the commission chartered the ship to make one voyage to the Red Sea and return.

Lykes Bros. got \$328,000 for that job.

Then the old ship was lost at sea, and the commission paid Lykes Bros. \$726,000 as "insurance." Total expenditure by the government, \$3,104,000; paid to the government by Lykes Bros., just \$48,000. Total gravy to Lykes Bros., \$3,556,000.

So-called "free enterprise" is very enterprising when it comes to profiting at the expense of the American taxpayer, isn't it?

Well, Maybe We Can Eat Plenty Of Cake and Pie

Washington, D.C.

When housewives ask the average small bakery for bread, the proprietor may quote Marie Antoinette's reply to the starving French people of 1789 and say "Let them eat cake."

That isn't meant to be as callous as it sounds, but with the new bread shortage due to the needs of European famine relief, it may be the solution for the small shop.

The little baker over the U.S. may be obliged to concentrate on cakes, cream puffs, cookies and buns in order to survive through the 25% reduction in his flour supply.

Research Director Andrew Myrup of the Bakery & Confectionery Workers Intl. Union explained that the heavy profit items in the field are in cake, fancy breads and pies. With competition from the big chain bakers, the small operators may surrender the bread field temporarily to the chains.

The union helped save the industry's profit position during the war by suggesting that it cut down on cake icing using scarce sugar in order to keep up pastry production and good profits while it was being squeezed by OPA controls on bread in the face of rising flour costs.

Negroes to Get Equal Break on Housing—Wyatt

Washington, D.C.

Housing Expediter Wilson Wyatt told a group of Negro builders here that Negro veterans will get the same consideration in the veterans housing program as white former servicemen.

He said he has asked that materials for low-cost housing be furnished for Negro communities in proportion to their numbers. The new homes "are to be built by labor regardless of race," he said.

The Way They Learn

"Willie," said the Sunday school teacher, severely, "you shouldn't talk like that to your playmate. Had you ever thought of heaping coals of fire on his head?"

"No, ma'am, I hadn't, but it's a peach of an idea!"

Redding 'Union License' Killed By State Court

San Francisco, Calif.

The right of labor to organize, to solicit membership, to picket, to carry on first and secondary boycotts, and to exercise its right to free speech and assembly has again been sustained by our State Supreme Court, reports Frank C. MacDonald, Pres., State Bldg. & Construction Trades Council.

Boss at Work



As a strike meeting of 1100 employees of the American Railway Express Co. in Detroit tied up the city's railroad terminals and docks, Benjamin Elzey, company supervisor, went to work in the baggage room. The threatened nationwide strike was called off by Pres. George Harrison of Bro. of Railway Clerks (AFL) after Pres. Truman set up a board to investigate the dispute. (Federated Pictures)

Pit Vets Against Workers

(State Federation of Labor Release)

San Francisco, Calif.

An appeal for financial assistance from employers in Santa Clara County and other sections of the State has been mailed out by the Society of World War II, sponsors of the anti-labor initiative petition which has been discussed in previous issues of the News Letter.

The initiative measure would give any honorably discharged veteran the right to work without the need of joining a labor union. This effort to create a cleavage between war veterans and the organized labor movement has not only already been condemned by representative opinion of veteran's organizations but is uncalled for, in view of the efforts being made by the trade unions to take care of the war veterans.

PHONE 'RED-BAITING'

The society's appeal for funds states flatly, "EVERY CENT will be spent to further the passage of this initiative amendment," and assures the contributor that his contribution of \$10 or more will be a material aid to getting veterans jobs now, helping him to choose his own employer, riding the labor movement of racketeers and communists, preserving free enterprise and letting him run his own business once again.

It is evident from this demagogic appeal that the sponsors of this initiative petition are asking for funds on ground that are not involved in the petition itself, and that they are therefore misrepresenting the entire picture to the employers from whom they are eager to obtain financial assistance. By lumping racketeers, communists and free enterprise together, the Society of World War II is resorting to irresponsible misrepresentation as a means of getting money and seeking to create the impression that this money will be spent for the purposes outlined.

Dutch Dockers Get 1 Increase; After Another

Rotterdam, Holland

After Rotterdam and Amsterdam dockers received a 25 percent wage increase in August, 1945, the Dutch Central Transport Workers' Union immediately began negotiations for a further increase since the new rate of 35.30 guilders a week was inadequate. By October, the dockers had received another increase which brought their scale up to 36.50 guilders, but still considered the rate too low.

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After the Justice Court, the Superior Court in Shasta County, and the District Court of Appeals had sustained the license ordinance adopted by the city of Redding which infringed upon those constitutional rights, the State Building and Construction Trades Council authorized its attorneys, P. H. McCarthy Jr. and F. Nason O'Hara, to join with Attorney Clarence Todd as "friend of the court" in support of the petition of James Porterfield for a hearing by the Supreme Court of the State of California.

LABORERS INVOLVED

James Porterfield was the organizer for the Laborers Union in Redding and had been found guilty of violating the license ordinance. The State Supreme Court sitting in bank reversed the Justice Court, the Superior Court in Shasta County, and the District Court of Appeals and held the Redding licensing ordinance to be invalid and directed the discharge of James Porterfield.

The Supreme Court held that the ordinance was invalid because it infringed the union's right of lawful picketing and boycotting amongst other legitimate union activities.

The Supreme Court further held that no municipality could impose a license tax contrary to the general state law which gives working men and women the right to organize freely.

HERE IS DECISION

The Justices of the Supreme Court in referring to the tax provisions of the Redding ordinance stated that:

"Such provisions are not consistent with the public policy of California as declared in section 923 of the California Labor Code. That section provides that 'Negotiations of terms and conditions of labor should result from voluntary agreement between employer and employees. Governmental authority has permitted and encouraged employers to organize in the corporate and other forms of capital control. In dealing with such employers, the individual unorganized worker is helpless to exercise actual liberty of contract and to protect his freedom of labor, and thereby to obtain acceptable terms and conditions of employment. Therefore it is necessary that the individual workman have full freedom of association, self-organization, and designation of representatives of his own choosing, to negotiate the terms and conditions of his employment.'"

CALL FOR PRECEDENT

This decision of the California State Supreme Court is particularly noteworthy because of the fact that the court reaffirmed labor's right to exercise its economic pressure on the employer by strikes, boycotts primary and secondary, and picketing, and because of its affirmation of labor's right to free speech and assembly.

Labor's attorneys are entitled to commendation for their able presentation of the laws with regard to labor's rights in such cases.

ASK AFFILIATION

SAN FRANCISCO.—AFL Pile Drivers 34 had adopted a resolution at its last meeting urging AFL affiliation with the World Federation of Trade Unions. It also asked U.S. to break relations with Franco Spain.

The Price of Greed



A child stands vigil at the scene of the recent Virginia mine disaster where 12 miners were killed. In 14 years, 1,400,000 miners have been "mangled, crushed and shattered." Pres. John L. Lewis of United Mine Workers (AFL) recently pointed out. Meanwhile mine owners refuse to set up a satisfactory health and welfare fund, and the coal strike continues. (Federated Pictures)

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The Labor Editor Speaks

HOUSE OF MISREPRESENTATIVES

We Americans pride ourselves on our democracy but, as we have pointed out many times in this column, our government in Washington (the President excepted) is not democratic. It not only does not reflect the will of the people, but in many instances defies it. This has been true of the proposals to extend the social security coverage, to adopt national health insurance, to abolish the poll tax in federal elections, etc.

All national polls (Gallup, Fortune and National Opinion Research Center) have shown the American people overwhelmingly in favor of continued price control. The polls pretty well agree that 85% of the people favor rent control and 82% favor price control. Special polls have revealed that the following groups favor rent and price control by these percentages: Veterans, 93%; farmers, 75%; manufacturers and small business men, 54%. (Note that even the business people favor it by a slight majority, and the conservative farmers by a large majority.)

Congressmen have access to all these reliable samplings of public opinion. They are printed in our newspapers. It is assumed that congressmen read and know what's going on. Only one conclusion is obvious: *The majority of congressmen just don't give a damn about the will of the people and prefer to be lickspittles to the plunderbund.*

There is only one answer—our chance at the ballot-box. Let's judge these misrepresentatives on their rotten records and throw them out of office! We're not maintaining a democracy for the purpose of electing dictators!

WHAT DID WE FIGHT FOR?

Henry Morgenthau, Jr., former U. S. Secretary of the Treasury, is nobody's fool. He deals in facts and figures. In a recent address he declared that the Allied nations are botching up the agreement on what to do with Germany which was signed at Potsdam. He asserts that "the whole program to make Germany incapable of future aggression is being applied hesitantly and half-heartedly" and adds that "this is true with respect to denazification, removal of industrial plants, seizure of German external assets, and decartelization."

Mr. Morgenthau goes on: "I cannot escape the feeling . . . that some of the people concerned really don't want a weak Germany. Despite the experience of two world wars, they still prefer a strong Germany. This seems to me one of the underlying sources of present United Nations difficulties. . . . Basic conflicts and disagreements among Great Britain, France, Russia and the United States made possible the comeback of German militarism after the defeat of 1918 and led inexorably to World War II. Will disputes among the victors lead them again into competition for the allegiance of a resurgent Germany, and from these into World War III? No one can yet know the answer, but the danger of the kind of split which would give Germany another chance has already become serious. Many Germans, even today, are hoping and working for precisely this objective. . . ."

Mr. Morgenthau, in our opinion, has presented the problem factually and honestly. It is quite evident that some of the Western powers want a "strong Germany" as a "buffer" against Russian influence in Europe. If this balance of power politics is continued, then the Soviet Union will vie for control of Germany to prevent this. Suspicion will breed suspicion, co-operation through the United Nations will be replaced by unilateral actions, and within another generation Germany will loom as another menace to world peace.

Do we have to travel this dreary, bloody road again?

'GAMBLERS' AND PENSIONS

Our esteemed contemporary, the San Francisco Chronicle, recently took a crack at Henry Wallace for suggesting that the nation's 4 million small business men be permitted to enter the social security system. The Chronicle simply snorts at this as preposterous. The reason little business men are little business men, says the Chronicle, is because they prefer to work for themselves; if they wanted social insurance they would sell out and work for somebody else. It adds that little business men are "gamblers" and they like it that way, win or lose.

But we fear that the Chronicle overlooks some important points: (1) Lots of folks go into business because they can no longer get jobs or hold such jobs (too old, too sick, etc.). (2) The mortality rate of small business is a fearful thing (hundreds of thousands of little businesses bit the dust in the depression 30's). (3) If the owner of a little business gets too old to run it, is it going to hurt his morale to be in line for a social security pension? Or if his business goes to the wall, is his "gambling spirit" so precious that he and his family should do without unemployment insurance?

The same arguments now used to keep business men from the protection of social security were at one time used to damn social security for anybody. We were told that it would make people lazy, destroy initiative, bust up the home and raise hell in general. *Prejudice dies hard—even in the more enlightened newspaper offices!*

Labor Playing Biggest Part In Battle of Price Control

Chicago, Ill.

As protest against the murder of OPA swelled throughout the nation, labor unions from coast to coast put their strength into the people's fight to save price control and the nation's living standards.

In Chicago a giant Town Hall meeting of almost 1000 people representing more than a million Chicagoans crowded into City Hall to form a people's lobby to save OPA in the Senate. Every major organization in the city was represented. A huge delegation of packinghouse workers arrived in three chartered El trains.

BIG DEMONSTRATION

The organizations unanimously voted to unite for a huge demonstration in the Loop. Mayor Edward Kelly, impressed by the large gathering, told the meeting: "If something isn't done to hold the line the country will be ruined financially, morally and every other way."

In San Francisco labor and veterans organizations planned an avalanche of letters to Senators, a parade, picketlines in front of department stores, work stoppages in various plants and possibly "customer strikes" to put the heat on Congress.

Open air meetings, shop gate gatherings, mass distribution of leaflets and home visits to week-ending Congressmen were held throughout New York. The garment center's 55,000 AFL dressmakers warned Senators against passage of the crippling House amendments.



"Now take the Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers," Mr. Dilworth began.

"You take it, Pop. I just washed my hands," said Little Luther.

"Keep your dirty little mouth shut, my boy," said Mr. Dilworth.

"So now my mouth's dirty. I suppose I have to go out and wash that," Little Luther sighed.

"Might be a good idea," Mr. Dilworth allowed. "But what I wanted to say was, we owe a debt of gratitude to the NAM, son."

"They hold us up on prices, smash the OPA, and we still owe them something?" Little Luther asked.

"Who opened this account, anyway?"

"You look at things with too mercenary an eye, my boy . . ."

"Like you when you're doling out my allowance?" asked Little Luther.

"It may be true," said Mr. Dilworth, ignoring him, "that there'll be a wee drop of inflation, prices may go up a tiny bit . . ."

"Sure, sure," said Little Luther. "Nothing much. Not a penny over 50 or 100%. I'll bet."

" . . . But," continued his father, "isn't that an insignificant price to pay to lose the OPA? Isn't that cheap to keep our great freedom of enterprise?"

"Keep right on," said Little Luther. "I'll give you the answers to all your questions as soon as I get this rubber kazoo fitted into my mouth."

"You're not taking me seriously enough, Luther," Mr. Dilworth announced. "Where would Liberty be if it weren't for the NAM?"

"It'd still be out in the middle of New York harbor," Little Luther said, "and it's too bad you and the NAM aren't there, too."

RULE OF BIG BIZ

"Big business has been dinning into our ears—abolish all governmental price controls . . . let the natural law of supply and demand operate without interference. Propagandists for monopolists are careful not to mention that this country has arrived at a state where top controls interfere with natural law of supply and demand. The U.S. Dept. of Justice records show that all of our basic industries are under control of monopolies and regulated by cartel agreements by which production and prices are controlled according to the will of the combinations. Therefore when Big Business people yell for abolishing government price control and talk about supply and demand regulating, in reality, they are asking us to place control in their hands."

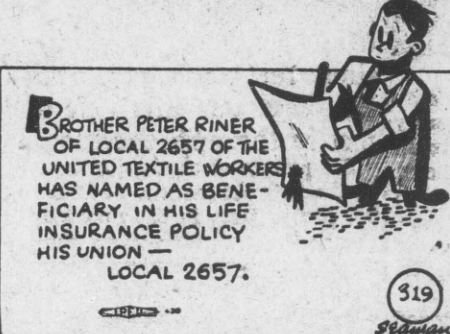
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THE MARCH OF LABOR

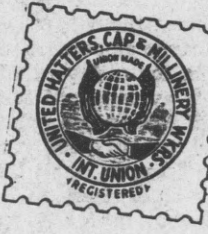


GEN. G. C. MARSHALL

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INSIST ON THE HAT UNION LABEL IN THE NEXT HAT YOU BUY.



MEDICINE IN INDUSTRY

Bernhard J. Stern. Published by The Commonwealth Fund, 41 E. 57th St., New York 22. Price \$1.50.

The American worker who believes he is getting a raw deal from the company doctor and from management generally on health and safety in the plant and in treatment of industrial accidents and disease will find his suspicions largely upheld in the latest study in the field titled "Medicine In Industry," by Bernhard J. Stern and published by The Commonwealth Fund.

Here is what Stern has to say about the company doctor (in Chap. 7): "The physical examinations given by the industrial physician (company doctor) are often too scant and cursory to permit fundamental diagnosis." On minor surgery, known as repair service or patchwork, Stern says there has been a wrong management attitude and "the result has been indifferent surgical work of low standard which has unfortunate consequences on the incidence of permanent disabilities." Increasingly, he says, the company doctor "instead of being regarded as a physician concerned primarily with his patients' welfare, is now accepted as a technical adviser sharing management's viewpoint."

One way to get around such suspicions on the part of workers, he suggests, is "when the labor-management health and safety committees of individual plants are permitted to share in the administration of the medical departments and when health matters are handled through the regular grievance machinery of the unions" (p. 167).

The study takes detailed notice of efforts by unions to improve the health of their members and to counteract the abuses of health conditions and their consequences by managements. The Intl. Ladies Garment Workers union health centers in New York and Philadelphia and the United Auto Workers health institute in Detroit are very favorably mentioned. Many other unions are also cited for meritorious work.

But most managements are too greedy for profits and too blind to their responsibilities as well as to their long-term advantage to care much about employees' health. Stern says (p. 112): "The limited distribution of industrial medical services bears evidence that the concept of conservation of human resources has not yet been fully incorporated into industrial management policy."

The company-doctor racket in the coal mines was exposed by Pres. John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers in his opening words in the soft coal negotiations and bears out what Stern says in his book. Lewis called the setup "the so-called company-doctor system, a scourge foisted upon mine workers representing well over half the total annual production of coal."

"A company doctor," Lewis explained, "does much more than treat the sick and injured. He acts as company representative in compensation cases. He is the company agent in insurance claims. He determines the physical fitness of job applicants. The company selects a doctor of its own choosing. Although his salary is paid out of deductions from the miners' wages, the doctor works for the company, not the employees. A doctor thus selected testifies against workers in compensation cases where the company disputes the extent of an employee's injuries. He does the company's bidding in passing upon the physical fitness of job applicants."

In many cases doctors are hired with the distinct understanding that they will treat compensation cases free of charge.

This racket, Lewis continued, makes the workers through the checkoff pay the bills that should be paid by the company under compensation laws and in addition the company gets away with lower compensation premium rates because of low-cost medical maintenance.

Both Stern and Lewis agree that insurance companies charge 40% above regular group health insurance rates in the case of coal mining.

Stern's book studies the development of pre-payment medical and hospital group plans, legislation and enforcement, the handicapped worker and preventive services, as well as surveying the history of medicine in industry from Egyptian times. It is a volume that union health and safety committees should have in dealing with managements.—CARL HAESSLER.

Latest Pocket Books

Another top-notch collection of 25c reprints is currently announced by Pocket Books, Inc. Among them are: "Lust for Life," famous novel about Vincent Van Gogh, by Irving Stone; "Action at Aquila," Civil War romance by Hervey Allen; "The Sea Wolf," classic saga of the sea by Jack London; "The Spider-web Trail," western by Eugene Cunningham (by the way, the Pocket Book westerns are the best in the field—really excellent); "Nine and Death Makes Ten," another suspenseful mystery by the veteran Carter Dickson. The usual high PB standard.—AES.

Varying Formulas

Some people get sick looking down from the tops of tall buildings. Others find it simpler to read a speech by Rankin.

WHO ARE CRIMINALS?

"The so-called 'war crimes trials' in Germany and Japan threaten to become immense flops. In Tokyo, Kiyoshi Gogo, former president of Mitsubishi heavy industries, has been released 'because of lack of evidence.' At Nuernberg, Krupp, chief of the concern which did so much to put Hitler in power and to make the weapons with which Hitler assailed the world, was 'sick' and therefore could not stand trial. The judges obligingly complied. King Victor Emmanuel, who eagerly collaborated with Mussolini for more than 20 years, is living in luxury and efforts are being made by London, and possibly by Washington, to boost his son or his grandson to the vacant throne. What must a man do in order to become a war criminal? Why make so much noise over the execution of a general, here or there, if the big fellows are to escape?" —LABOR, newspaper of the 15 standard railroad labor organizations.

GIGGLES AND GROANS

A LUCKY STRIKE

Then there is the one about the girl musician who wore a strapless evening gown without the slightest danger of it slipping down. She was a whiz on the piano. Lost in admiration of her musical accomplishments, one bystander said to the other:

"She certainly has a wonderful repertoire."

"Yes, indeed," replied another. "And so round, so firm, so fully packed."

EASY ALTERNATIVE

Some of the neighbors were on the street corner some time back discussing the problem of disemployment facing the women war workers when the soldiers returned. One of them, however, was unconcerned. He said:

"It's very simple. Just keep the women on the job and let the men stay home and have the babies. All that is necessary is a certain amount of retooling."

BETWEEN HOLIDAYS

It seems that a snooty society matron dropped into a New York book store and asked for a certain book on birth control. The clerk showed her the popular \$1 copy. But she wanted an edition with a fancier binding. Told that it came only in the paper covers, she accepted it with reluctance and remarked: "Well, I guess it's good enough for every day."

QUITE A GAL, MARIE

One of the prominent New York magazine book reviewers was doing a notice on a current volume and included this gem:

"The Fortress flew on with her chin up, like Marie Antoinette walking to the scaffold, even when red flames from her pitted gasoline tanks were spreading from her cockpit to her tail."

BEFORE AND AFTER

"Doc," said the old mountaineer, leading a gangling youth into the presence of the village medico, "I want you should fix up my son-in-law. I shot him in the leg yesterday and lamed him up a mite."

"Tut, tut," chuckled the doctor disapprovingly, "shame on you for shooting your own son-in-law!"

"Wal, doc," rejoined the mountaineer, "he wasn't my son-in-law when I shot him."

LOGICAL AT LEAST

TEACHER—Yes, children, an Indian wife is called a squaw. Now what do you suppose Indian babies are called?

BRIGHT PUPIL—I know—squawkers.

EFFICACIOUS REMEDY

SOB SISTER: Here's a letter from a girl who wants to know what to give as a birthday present to her wealthy aunt, who is sick and can hardly walk?

CITY EDITOR: How about some floor wax?

Do You Know?

—That in Russian villages most of the trading is conducted by some 28,000 consumer co-operative societies?

—That these consumer societies, which take in the larger part of the rural population, are closely connected with the industrial co-ops which supply them with various goods?

—That these co-ops elect their own management committees, vote to declare consumer dividends, and otherwise democratically operate these enterprises?

—That during the 10 years before the war co-op membership increased from 24 million in 1930 to 36 million in 1940?

—That retail turnover increased from 5 billion rubles in 1930 to over 42 billion rubles in 1939?

—That these figures reflect the greatly improved standard of living for the masses in that country?

—That, since 1913, consumption of sugar, biscuits and confectionery has increased tenfold?

—That citizens in the farm areas are buying 14 times as much soap, 7 times as much clothing and 30 times as much furniture as they did before 1917?

—That in 1939, these village co-ops sold 900 million rubles worth of phonographs, cameras, bicycles and sports equipment, commodities almost unknown in the old days?

—That these results show the great value of co-operative enterprises, regardless of the social system under which they may exist?

Saving Wage

A "saving wage," not merely a living wage — that's the present-day goal of labor, President Robert A. Olson of Labor told the A. F. of L. State, County and Municipal Employees' Union at its national convention here last week. Such a wage should be high enough to cover all necessities, a few luxuries, an annual vacation at a resort and something for a "rainy day," Olson declared.

POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT



RETAIN . . .
J. A. (Ollie)
CORNETT
(Incumbent)
CORONER
and
Public
Administrator
Monterey County
Election June 4, 1946

Incumbent J. A. Ollie Cornett today announced his candidacy for the office of Coroner and Public Administrator in and for the County of Monterey in the forthcoming June Election. He has given his entire and undivided time to this office and runs on his record as a public servant and feels his record should be sufficient to warrant his support by the public that he has served.

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Monterey County

17 Years Experience in
Law Enforcement

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Police Department

Founder and President of
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Has Endorsement and Support of Labor

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EARL
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Vote for Earl Warren!

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BAKERS 24—Meets 3rd Saturday at Teamsters Hall, John and Main, at 5 p.m. Pres. Judson F. Flint, 201 Archer, phone 3298. Secy. Louie Grasso, 251 Clay St., phone 8819. Bus. Agent, Hans Top, 1128 Laurie Ave., San Jose, phone Ballard 6341. Office at 72 N. Second St., San Jose, phone Ballard 6341.

BARBERS 827—Meets 3rd Monday at Teamsters Hall, John and Main, at 8 p.m. Pres. John Durnell, 533 E. Alisal. Secretary, Leon J. Smith, 207 Main St., phone 4302.

BARTENDERS 545—Meets 1st and 3rd Monday at 2 p.m. at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts. Pres. Eddie Rose. Secy. and Business Agent, Karl E. Hess. Office at Teamsters Hall, phone 6209.

BUTCHERS UNION 506 (Salinas Branch)—Pres. Gen. Gilbert; Vice Pres. Bill Steinmueller; Fin. Sec. Harry Boch; Rec. Sec. Jim Errington. (Earl Moorhead. Exec. Sec. office phone San Jose, Columbia 2132) Del Monte Ave.

CARPENTERS 925—Meets first and third Tuesdays at 7:30. Carpenters Hall, North Main Street. Pres. Ray Luna. Vice-Pres. I. R. Miller. Business Agent, George Harter, 422 North Main Street, phone 5721. Financial Secy., L. H. Taft, 243 Clay Street, phone 4246. Treas. O. O. Little. Recording Secy., Amos Schofield, 422 North Main.

CARPENTERS AUXILIARY 373—Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday at Carpenters Hall at 8 p.m. President, Mrs. Ed Francis; Vice-President, Mrs. Ray Luna; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aubrey Cunningham; Treasurer, Mrs. Mark Pilliar; Warden, Mrs. Bert Nelson; Conductress, Mrs. Earl Van Emon.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION (MONTEREY COUNTY)—Meets every Friday evening at 8 p.m. at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts. Pres. Peter A. Andrade, phone 4893. Secy.-Treas. George Harter, 422 N. Main, phone 5721. Council Negotiation Committee: Albert Harris, phone 4893; George Harter, phone 5721.

CULINARY ALLIANCE 467—No regular meetings scheduled, and subject only to call. Secretary Bertha A. Boles. Office at Teamsters Hall, Main and John Sts., phone 6209.

ELECTRICAL WORKERS 243—Meets the first Tuesday in each month at the Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., at 8:00 p.m. C. B. Phillips, Bus. Mgr. Phone 3361, 25 Harvest St. E. M. Bills, Pres. Phone 6524.

ENGINEERS (OPERATING) 165—Meets 2nd Monday at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts., at 8 p.m. Pres. C. R. Ingersoll, P.O. Box 2, Freedom. Secretary, Harry Vosburgh, 404 California St., Salinas, phone 4972.

LABORERS 272—Meets second Monday of each month at 8:00 p.m. at 117 Pajaro St. R. Fenchel, Pres., 17 Railroad Ave.; J. F. Mattos, Sec., 104 Lang St., Salinas; J. B. McGinley, Bus. Agent, office at 117 Pajaro St.

LATHERS UNION NO. 463—Meets in Salinas Labor Temple second and fourth Fridays, 8 p.m. President, Roy R. Bengel, Hilby St., Monterey. Phone Monterey 4820; Sec.-Treas. Dean S. Seefeldt, 526 Park St., Salinas, Phone 9223.

LAUNDRY WORKERS 252—Meets on call in Teamsters Hall, Main and John Streets, Mildred Clayton, president and business agent. Phone 4717.

PAINTERS 1104—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 117 Pajaro Street at 7:30 p.m. Pres. Earl Ross. Fin. Secy. and Business Agent, Donald McBeth, 1014 Le Costa Street, phone 4126. Recording Secy., Dennis Hartman, 614 Mae Ave., phone 8783.

PLASTERERS 763—Meets second and fourth Friday of the month at 8:00 p.m., at Rodeo Cafe; Fred Randon, Secretary, 31 Buena Vista, Salinas, phone 1423; Pres. Don Frick.

PLUMBERS AND STEAM FITTERS' UNION Local 503—Meets Second Wednesday of each month, 8:00 p.m., Salinas Labor Temple. Pres. Al Evers; Recording Secretary, William F. Farr; Financial Secretary, C. Russell Walker, 312-B Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 9259. Office at 215 E. Alisal St., Phone 3463. Ex. Board meets each Tuesday night at Labor Temple.

POSTAL CARRIERS 1046—Meets every 3rd Monday alternately at homes of members at 8:30 p.m. President, L. E. Pierce, 43 Romer Lane, phone 3173. Secretary, H. C. Schirek, 636 El Camino Real, No., phone 7080.

PRESSMEN 328—Meets last Tuesday of month, alternating between Salinas and Watsonville. Pres. Milo Wingard, 339 West St., Salinas. Secretary, Milo Martella, 225 Monterey St., Salinas.

ROOFERS 50—Meets 3rd Friday, 8 p.m., Watsonville Labor Temple; Pres. E. E. Lehr, 142 11th St., Pacific Grove, Sec. Frank Walker, 327 Alexander St., Salinas, phone 9668.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Monterey at 411 1/2 Alvarado St., and at Salinas at 117 Pajaro St. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres. John Alsop, P.O. Box 317, Pacific Grove, phone 7825. Fin. and Rec. Secy., F. F. Knowles, 232 River St., Santa Cruz, phone 1276-J. Bus. Agent for Salinas area, J. B. McGinley, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 6777. Bus. Agent for Monterey, L. T. Long, 411 1/2 Alvarado St., Monterey.

STATE COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES 420—Meets on call at Labor Temple. Pres. R. H. Clinch, 348 1/2 West Street. Vice-Pres., H. E. Lyons, 15 West Street. Secy.-Treas., W. Y. Karbach, 20 Natividad Road, Salinas.

SUGAR REFINERY WORKERS 20616—President, J. Collins; Secretary-Treasurer, R. MacRossie; Recording secretary, H. Dies. Meet in Forrester Hall, Salinas, 2nd and 4th Mondays at 7:30 p.m.

TEAMSTERS 287—Meets first Wednesday in Oct., Jan., April, July at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts., Salinas, phone 7590.

THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS 611—Meets first Tuesday every other month 10 a.m. in Watsonville Labor Temple. Pres. Art Reina, 605 Mae Ave., Phone 9785; Bus. Agent, James Wilson, 80 Peyton St., Santa Cruz, Phone 1216. Rec. Secy., Chas. Covey, 364 Walnut Ave., Santa Cruz.

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION NO. 543—R. C. Sprague, Salinas, Pres.; A. C. Davis, Sec.-Treas., 109 Prospect St., Watsonville. Meets last Sunday, alternating between Watsonville and Salinas.

WAREHOUSEMEN 890—Meets first Tuesday night at Teamsters' Hall, John and Main streets. Office at same address, phone 4893. President, Albert Harris. Secretary, W. G. Kenyon. Financial secretary and business representative, Peter A. Andrade.

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“Just a small bite—sirloin steak, four slices of bread, couple pieces of butter—”

ANTI-UNIONISM DIES HARD IN AMERICAN INDUSTRY, SHOWN:

Figures Reveal 10% of Strikes For Recognition

Washington, D. C.

Indications are growing that American employers have adopted a studied “get tough with unions” policy in the hope that they can break them and drive workers back from war-earned gains.

One straw in the wind bearing out that statement is seen in the official bureau of Labor Statistics figures on the number of strikes over recognition of unions as the collective bargaining agent of their workers.

We are now in the eleventh year of operation of the Wagner Labor Relations Act which gives workers the right to organize. It also provides the machinery with which to settle the recognition issue in a legal, peaceful manner by NLRB elections.

RECORD FOR 1945

Soon after V-J Day (Aug. 14, 1945) the trend toward more strikes on the recognition issue began to zoom. Totals for all of 1945 show that there were 462 strikes for recognition or recognition linked with wages and hours. These constituted 10.1% of all strikes in the year and the idleness resulting was 18.7% of the total number of man days lost.

By comparison, there were only 90 strikes over the closed or union shop issue in 1945, or 1.9% of the total number. They resulted in just 2.6% of the total man days of idleness.

THE STRIKE RECORD

Let there be a misunderstanding about labor's wartime record in observing its no-strike pledge. BLS officially reports that for the entire period of U.S. participation in World War II, strikes from all causes cost the nation a little more than one-tenth of 1% of the total available working time. And as the U.S. Marine Corps admitted, that is less than the percentage of its members who went “over the hill” or were charged with being AWOL.

Strikes in 1945 for wages and hours constituted 42.4% of the total number in the country, involving 6.2% of the workers on strike. Against this, the number on strike for recognition of their union constituted 11.3% of the total. And only 1.3% of the striking workers were out to force the closed or union shop issue.

COMPARISON SHOWN

BLS figures for 1945 also show that the AFL was involved in 3% of the total number of strikes that year, while the CIO was involved in 10%. AFL strikes, however, covered only 20% of the striking workers while CIO walkouts (mostly in larger plants) involved 49%. Unaffiliated unions with 17% of the strikes in 1945, took in over 25% of the workers and a large part of this figure is credited to the United Mine Workers (AFL) which was unaffiliated at that time.

Here is a table summarizing by years strikes for union recognition:

YEAR	STRIKES	WORKERS INVOLVED	MAN DAYS LOST			
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
1945	462	10.1	347,700	11.3	4,583,400	18.7
1944	389	8.1	213,397	10.1	1,188,695	13.4
1943	244	6.5	44,981	2.2	197,628	1.4
1941	1213	27.1	412,320	17.4	5,856,870	25.4
1937	1142	24.2	471,458	27.9	11,048,730	35.9

Strikes from all causes by union affiliation (in %) followed by the percentage of the total number of workers on strike, by affiliation, for the same period are shown below:

YEAR	STRIKES			NUMBERS INVOLVED		
	AFL	CIO	INDEP.	AFL	CIO	INDEP.
1945	37%	40%	17%	20%	49%	25%
1944	34	39	20	22	52	19
1943	37	37	16	20	44	32
1941	54	37	1.6	24	69.5	1.1
				32.5	59.3	2.8

All of the figures are official, all are from BLS. The 1945 figures are printed in the April issue of the Monthly Labor Review.

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Remember, if any one driving is not a member of our union, report same to the office at once. Telephone either Watsonville 2596 or Salinas 4893.

We regret to report that Business Agent Bud Kenyon is in the hospital, but recovering. However, we are happy to report that President Albert Harris is back on the job.

Back Pay Starts Big
Rush of Workers to
Telegraphers' Union

Washington, D. C.

Distribution of back-pay checks representing a retroactive wage increase forced from the Western Union Telegraph Co. has started a nation-wide movement to join the Commercial Telegraphers Union (AFL), Pres. W. L. Allen reported.

A total of 2300 new members joined the CTU in March after receiving back pay checks that averaged \$500 after tax deductions. The highest payment yet recorded was for \$860 net.

Underpaid WU workers are using the windfall for mortgage payments, loans, doctor bills and replenishment of wardrobes.

It's fine if we can have both, but remember that it's more important to elect a good Legislature than a good Governor.

Quickie Street Car
Strike Puts 50,000
Riders 'On the Hoof'

Washington, D. C.

Some 50,000 Virginia commuters were stranded recently when employees of the Washington-Virginia Maryland Coach Co. went on strike without warning for higher wages. The men are members of the Amalgamated Assn. of Street, Electric Railway & Motor Coach Employees of America (AFL).

The company reported it had offered an 8c an hour wage to the men at a cost of \$140,000 a year providing it was granted a rate increase. The workers' demands would cost the company an estimated \$268,000.

Keep Up That Barrage
About Price Control!

Only hope for saving price control now is to deluge Senators with postcards, petitions and wires demanding that the Senate pass the OPA extension law cutting out the crippling amendments passed by the House. Since it's the housewives who will feel the pinch first if price control goes, why not arm yourself with a batch of postcards or petitions and make a tour of the nylon and butter lines?

DEMAND THE UNION LABEL!

Today, almost everything you buy for your home costs more. The one important exception is the gas and electric service which does so much of your housework and supplies light and heat as needed. While average living costs have risen 35 per cent and more, the cost of BOTH gas and electricity has gone DOWN despite wartime conditions. Today, P. G. and E.'s gas and electric rates, long among the lowest in the entire country, are lower than ever before. The average cost of natural gas for domestic use, has dropped 33 per cent since 1939 and the cost of electricity for home use has gone down 16 per cent. Rate reductions in the past year alone represent annual savings to customers of \$7,490,000.

Our rates have been cut in the face of the soaring cost of providing gas and electric service...service that is untailing and adequate. In 1945, provision for taxes amounted to thirty cents of every dollar of our revenue; yet the average P. G. and E. bill for gas and electric service in San Francisco, for example, was lowest among fifty-one principal cities...including those subsidized by government and tax-exempt...in the United States.

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BAKERS 24—Headquarters at Labor Temple, 72 N. Second St., San Jose. Hans Top, Secy and Bus. Agent, phone Ballard 6341.

BARBERS LOCAL 896—Meets 1st Thursdays at Bartenders Hall, 301 Alvarado St. President, Ralph Lester, 307 1/2 Madison St.; Secretary-Treas., A. H. Thompson, 243 Alvarado St., Ph. 5741.

BARTENDERS 483 (HOTEL, RESTAURANT EMPLOYEES & BARTENDERS ALLIANCE)—Meets at 315 Alvarado St., 1st Monday at 8:30 p.m., 3rd Monday at 2:30 p.m. Pres., E. D. McCutcheon; Sec., Pearl Robinson; Bus. Agt., Steve Smario. Office, 315 Alvarado, Monterey, phone 6734.

BRICK MASON LOCAL UNION NO. 16—Meets Building Trades Hall, second and fourth Friday, 8:00 p.m. President F. B. Hair, P. O. Box 264, Watsonville. Fin. Sec., M. Real, 154 Eldorado, Monterey, Phone 6745. Rec. Sec., Geo. Houde, 208 Carmel Ave., Pacific Grove, Phone 3715.

BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 411 1/2 Alvarado St., at 8 p.m. Pres., W. J. Dickerson, 201 Monroe St., phone 8160. Secretary and Bus. Agent, L. T. Long, Pacific Grove, phone P.G. 4292. Office at 411 1/2 Alvarado St., phone 6744. Mailing address: P.O. Box 611, Office hours: 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., 7:30 to 9 p.m.

BUTCHERS 506 (Monterey Branch)—Pres., Floyd Harris; Vice-Pres., S. Corona; Rec. Sec., Helen Day; Fin. Sec., Gene Hellam; Bus. Agt., Earl Moorhead, San Jose, Ph. Columbia 2132.

CARPENTERS 1323—Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays at 8 p.m. at 411 1/2 Alvarado St. Pres., Geo. Dietl, phone 7992. Fin. Secy., D. L. Ward, 400 Gibson St., phone 6726. Bus. Rep., L. T. Long, phone 6726. Office at 411 1/2 Alvarado St., P.O. Box 611, phone 6744.

CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL (MONTEREY PENINSULA)—Meets at Bartenders Hall, 301 Alvarado St., 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Pres., E. D. McCutcheon. Vice-Pres., J. F. Wheat. Secretary-Treasurer, Wayne Edwards, 823 Johnson Ave., phone 7622.

ELECTRICAL WORKERS NO. 1072—Meets 2nd Monday at 411 1/2 Alvarado Street, Monterey. E. C. Geary, president. Paul Day, secretary. Phone 6734.

FISH CANNERY WORKERS UNION OF PACIFIC (Monterey County, AFL)—Meets on call. Pres., William Culver; Bus. Agent, Lester Caveny; Secy.-Treas., Roy Humbracht. Office at Labor Temple, 320 Hoffman St., New Monterey.

FISHERMEN (SEINE AND LINE)—Meets monthly on full moon at 2 p.m. at Union Hall. Pres., Salvatore Davigo, 335 Monroe St., phone 7729. Secretary and Bus. Agent, John Crivello, 927 Franklin St., phone 7713. Office and hall at 233 Alvarado St., phone 3126.

LABORERS 690—Meets in New Labor Temple, Monterey, first Sunday morning of each month at 10 o'clock. President, Perry Luce, 1251 David avenue. Vice-President, Thomas E. McGuire, P. O. Box 156, Seaside. Secretary-Treasurer, Frank E. Decker, P. O. Box 1305, Monterey.

LATHERS UNION NO. 463—Meets in Salinas Labor Temple second and fourth Fridays, 8 p.m. President, Roy R. Bengel, Hilby St., Monterey. Phone Monterey 4820; Secretary-Treasurer, Dean S. Seefeldt, 526 Park St., Salinas, Phone 9223.

MOTOR COACH EMPLOYEES, Division 192—President, Harry M. Fox Jr.; Secretary, Herman R. Bach.

MUSICIANS 616—Meetings, when called, held at 315 Alvarado St., Monterey, at 2:30 p.m. Pres., A. A. Hirsch, Seaside, Calif., phone Monterey 4257. Secretary, Harry H. Judson, Box 422, Pacific Grove, phone P.G. 6166. Office at 500 Ashlomar Blvd., Pacific Grove, phone P.G. 6166.

PAINTERS 272—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 315 Alvarado St. at 8 p.m. Pres., Robert Deakin, 149 Monterey, Pacific Grove, phone P.G. 9285. Rec. Secy., Ed L. Castle, 457 Wave, Monterey, phone 6312. Financial secretary, J. C. Hazelwood, 419 9th St., Pacific Grove, phone P.G. 7905.

PLASTERERS AND CEMENT FINISHERS NO. 337—Meet first and third Friday, Building Trades Hall, Monterey, 8:00 p.m. President, Earl Smith, Monterey; Financial Secretary, V. J. Willoughby, 152 Carmel Avenue, Pacific Grove.

PLUMBERS AND STEAMFITTERS NO. 62—Meets 2nd and 4th Friday at 411 1/2 Alvarado Street at 8 p.m. L. A. Trine, President. Phone 5704. H. Diaz, secretary, 1271 3rd Street, Monterey. Phone 7956.

POST OFFICE CLERKS, Monterey Branch NO. 1292 of National Federation of Post Office Clerks (AFL)—Meets first Friday of month. Pres., Boyd Beall; Vice-Pres., E. L. Edwards; Sec.-Treas., Art Hamill.

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SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Monterey at 411 1/2 Alvarado St., and at Salinas at 117 Pajaro St. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres. John Alsop, P.O. Box 317, Pacific Grove, phone 7825. Fin. and Rec. Secy., F. F. Knowles, 232 River St., Santa Cruz, phone 1276-J. Bus. Agent for Salinas area, J. B. McGinley, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 6777. Bus. Agent for Monterey, L. T. Long, 411 1/2 Alvarado St., Monterey.

TEACHERS (MONTEREY COUNTY FEDERATED) 457—Meet in Monterey second Wednesday, 5:00 p.m. Fin. Sec., Wayne Edwards, 823 Johnson Ave., Monterey, Phone 7622.

TEAMSTERS (GENERAL AND AUTO DRIVERS) 287—Meets second Wednesday at Teamsters' Hall, Main and John Sts., Salinas, at 8 p.m. President, Thos. M. Brett, 941 The Alameda, San Jose, phone Ballard 6115. Secretary and Business Agent, George W. Jenett, address same. Office at Main and John Sts., Salinas, phone 7590.

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WAREHOUSE EMPLOYEES UNION, LOCAL 890—Meets first Tuesday night, Teamsters Hall, office at Teamster Hall, John and Main St. Phone 4893; Pres., Albert A. Harris; Rec. Sec., Wm. G. Kenyon; Sec.-Treas. and Bus. Rep., Peter A. Andrade.

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SALINAS, CALIF.

**Asks Halt On
Racketeering
In War Bonds**

Oakland, Calif.

E. Hermann, Editor of the *Epic News*, has addressed an appeal to Pres. Harry S. Truman, Treasury Secretary Fred Vinson and all members of the Senate and House to take steps to protect war bonds of the people against possible judgment proceedings. Says Hermann:

"The war bonds will be paid to you—if and provided some third party has not meanwhile obtained a judgment against you (which can be done in a hundred ways)."

'CROOKS AND RACKETEERS'

Hermann quotes from a recent editorial in the weekly *Labor*: "Crooks and racketeers, says the Wall Street Journal, have found a pot of gold. It is the savings of our war workers and veterans and the 'war bond' tucked away by hard-working Americans during the past four years."

Continues Hermann:

HOT AFTER YOUR DOUGH

"Today, the attorneys for judgment creditors are reviving claims sometimes two decades old. (We know of one such case.) The debtor under oath is questioned as to whether he—or any other member of his family—owns bonds. If the answer is yes, the hunt is on. If he owns them himself the rest is tragedy. If another family member owns them an attempt is made to trace the purchase price to the debtor even though the bonds have been owned by another for years. Go sit in on a 'Supplementary Proceeding' session. You will learn a lot about this alleged 'SAFEST INVESTMENT ON EARTH' ??? Gentlemen, you alone can remedy this situation. You can make these bonds what their holders think they are. You can make them a true 'exempt nestegg.' You will have to face this issue soon. You now have the choice to face it now or next November. We sincerely hope you will act now—and stop what the Wall Street Journal admits is a 'racket.'"

*He suggests immediate action as follows:

1. Exempt all "E" Bonds individually held from execution at least up to \$5000.

2. Exempt all bonds from all claims, judgments, or revivals of same based on transactions prior to Pearl Harbor.

3. Absolutely prohibit any federal court, or any court in any of our states, territories, possessions, or agencies from assuming any jurisdiction over or issuing any order, judgment, directive or assuming any control either by law, implication or construction, over any bond except only that—

a. In case of intestacy a proper court with surrogate powers can direct the division of the owners' estate.

b. In case of incompetency a proper guardian may be appointed.

c. In case of purchase of bonds with funds acquired by felony that a correction be made provided only that first the felon has been prosecuted to conviction. Fix a date (as in insurance policies) after which ownership is incontestable.

**Independent Unions
Charge 'Favoritism'
Toward AFL and CIO**

Washington, D.C.

Demanding that the U.S. government stop what they called its discrimination and favoritism of the AFL and CIO over unaffiliated labor organizations, a group of leaders of the Confederated Unions of America called on federal officials.

Sec. Treas. Harry Miller of the CUA said that his group represents 300,000 workers and is the third largest labor organization in the nation.

Pres. Don Mahon of the Natl. Bro. of Packinghouse Workers (CUA) was among the group that called upon the NLRB and Sec. of Labor Lewis Schwellenbach.

**WHY ALL
THIS FEAR?**

"Why universal military training at this time? We have the best equipped army, navy and air force in the world, the factories and know-how to out-produce all other countries and probable combinations of countries, the atomic bomb. Our allies as well as our enemies are spent. The responsible people of all lands favor the building of a world organization. Fear of aggression made possible by big armies is undermining the confidence that is a fundamentally necessary basis for world organization."—KENNEDY LABOR NEWS, Kennedy Federation of Labor (AFL).

BLDG. TRADES COUNCIL MINUTES

Meeting called to order by President Wm. J. Dickerson, 8:05 p.m. Roll call showed six local unions represented.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. **CREDENTIALS**

None.

All bills were ordered paid.

CORRESPONDENCE

From the State B. & C.T.C. of Calif. copy of instructions to the War Labor Board Chairman, Lloyd K. Garrison, from Stabilization Administrator John C. Collett, Dec. 3, 1945, which establishes the rights of labor to return to the hours and overtime rates in effect prior to August 3, 1942.

From the State B. & C.T.C. of Calif. a letter showing a court decision on the right of labor to organize, solicit membership and to exercise its right to free speech and assembly.

From State B. & C.T.C. an initiative proposal that would restrict all the rights of labor to remain organized.

From Senator Shelley a copy of Senate Bill No. 40, which was introduced by Senator Shelley and signed by the governor making it possible to pay disabled benefits to those entitled to unemployment insurance.

Received a report on the Central Valley Water Project.

Received a copy of a political speech by Attorney General Kenny.

A letter from State Federation of Labor setting forth the dangers of allowing price control being cancelled, and asked that we all write our U.S. Senator asking that he support the Office of Price Administration.

From State Federation of Labor a brief analysis of the new anti-labor initiative petition.

From State B. & C.T.C. of Calif. a copy of award to plumbing contractors to raise their price ceiling.

A copy of minutes from B. & C.T.C. of Santa Clara County.

A copy of Santa Clara County.

A copy of weekly Bulletin.

Two weekly news letters from State Federation of Labor.

Bro. Long reports his finding for the past two weeks. There are several of the building craft men from out of the community working here for local and out-of-town contractors. There is to be some remodel work at the Monterey Airport; according to the report, it will be Federal Housing job. Plasterers report a shortage of hard wall plaster, and men to put it on. I met with the apprenticeship committee Monday, April 26, 1946, in the high school shop building with Mr. Wormley and Snider of the Veterans Administration, several things of interest to apprentices were discussed. Tools for carpenter apprentices will be purchased by the administration and allotted to the apprentices.

The tool question for other crafts was discussed by the council, it was stated that other crafts needs the tools of their trade as bad as the carpenter.

The report was accepted, **REPORTS OF UNIONS**

Bro. Winslow, Painters L.U. 272, reports that the Painters, after discussion, decided to hold the spray painting on the same basis as at present, but to be a little more liberal on the kind of surface to be sprayed. Initiated 1 new member. Their request for wage increase had been rejected by the Wage Adjustment Board, but they are working for a new agreement with the employer that will carry a wage increase with it.

Bro. O'Neil, Plumbers 62, I was attending a Pipe Trades Council convention in Fresno at the last meeting; I find building craft men in demand all along the line, that is why we cannot get more mechanics into this area.

Bro. W. T. Evans, Carpenter 1323, No meeting since the council met. He reports for the committee on old age pension and recommends adoption of the resolution as presented by Marin County B. & C.T.C.

Bro. Decker, Hod Carriers & Laborers L.U. 690, we will meet Sunday, May 5, 1946. He read a letter from their general vice-president, Joseph Marshall, directing them to insist that all laborers have work orders from the B. & C.T.C. or secretary before being put to work on the job site.

REPORTS OF UNIONS

Bro. Kenneth Olsen, Plasterers L.U. 337, they held a good meeting; worked an agreement with the employer to work 6-hr. day and 2 hrs. overtime at double time. The request for \$2.00 wage was rejected by the Wage Adjustment Board.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The recommendation of the Old Age Pension Committee was discussed.

It was moved and seconded the recommendation of the committee be accepted and the resolution concurred in. (Carried.)

GOOD OF THE COUNCIL

Brother Frank C. MacDonald, general president of the State Building and Construction Trades Council, was introduced to the council. Bro. MacDonald gave a very fine talk, calling attention to proposed legislation meant to disrupt the program of organized labor. He recommended that we man all construction jobs and do not allow the CIO to get a start as they are very anxious to break into the construction industry. He also called attention to the lack of interest shown by the general membership in the meeting of the local

union; says the building program should last at least five years. He spoke of the apprentice training program saying that the building crafts were doing very fine work in assisting the veterans to secure employment. The wall board that is being used as a substitute for plaster was a very inflammable product and should be discouraged as much as possible.

The talk was well received. No further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 p.m. Respectfully submitted, **L. T. LONG, Sec.**

**Rubber Workers Get
Over a Million in
Retroactive Awards**

Los Angeles, Calif.

About \$1,370,000 in back pay adjustments will be handed out in the next few weeks to 8400 rubber workers at the Firestone, Goodyear, U.S. Rubber and Goodrich plants here. This is about \$300,000 more than the national agreement provided.

Locals 100, 131, 44 and 43 have obtained inequity adjustments of 4½¢ to 11½¢ an hour for about 1500 of the workers on top of the national 18½¢. Individual back pay checks average \$215 for the 2200 members of Local 131.

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TUESDAY — JUNE 4th

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Here's what we'll meet on the beach in a few weeks. Well—we hope so. That tricky get-up is a combination play or sun suit that can be converted into swimming garb by removing the detachable wrap-around skirt. (Federated Pictures)

**Labor Organizer Gets
Soaked for Picketing**

Atlanta, Georgia.

A stiff 5 to 7-year prison sentence was imposed on Horace P. White, Textile Workers Union organizer, in superior court on charges growing out of a picketline fight last March.

POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT

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A VETERAN****JOHN L. "JACK"
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**Union Claims Record
For Speedy Contract**

Chicago, Illinois.

Officials of the steelworkers believe they have set a new record for speedy negotiating here. After less than four hours they signed a contract granting an 18½¢ hourly wage increase and triple time for holiday work with M. Block & Sons, a newly organized shop.

**Chicago Street Car
Employees Given 18¢
Pay Hike by Board**

Chicago, Illinois.

Approximately 14,000 members of Div. 241, Amalgamated Assn. of Street Electric Railway & Motor Coach Employees, employed by the Chicago Surface Lines, have been awarded 18¢ to 20¢ hourly wage increases by a 3-man arbitration board.

The 20¢ boost is for operators on 1-man streetcars. All other employees will get 18¢. Both raises are retroactive to March 17. Total increase is estimated at \$6,500,000 a year. A union demand for an increase in pension payments has not yet been decided.

Definitions

PAY RAISE: Inflationary device to ruin widows and orphans (financially, of course).

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Washington, D.C.

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